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TEXAS GLO REOPENS HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAMS IN THE RGV

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AUSTIN — Today, the Texas General Land Office (GLO) officially reopened the application for the Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs (HARP) in the Rio Grande Valley counties of Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy. Through HARP, the GLO is focused on rebuilding homes damaged in 2018 and 2019 flooding disasters through repair or reconstruction of owner-occupied single-family homes. Additionally, reimbursement up to \$50,000 for certain out-of-pocket expenses incurred for repairs including reconstruction, rehabilitation, or mitigation. Repayment of SBA loans is also eligible for reimbursement.

"Homeowners in the Rio Grande Valley have faced repetitive damage from devastating flooding," said Commissioner Bush. "Through the Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs, the Texas General Land Office will help hundreds of homeowners to rebuild their homes and livelihoods."

Interested homeowners should visit recovery.texas.gov/harp to apply online or download a printable version of the application. Potential applicants can also find in-person assistance at regional Homeowner Assistance and Reimbursement Programs offices serving their area. For assistance, interested participants can email cdr@recovery.texas.gov or call 1-844-893-8937.

The GLO has made several resources available for potential applicants. Please visit <u>recovery.texas.gov/harp</u> for additional resources, including:

- HARP Overview in English
- HARP Visión General en Español
- HARP Document Checklist in English
- HARP Lista de Documentos en Español

A single application can be submitted for reimbursement and repair assistance. An application must be submitted along with required documents for consideration. HARP is a first-come, first-served basis and all homeowners are encouraged to apply immediately. HARP is only available for a main home (primary residence).

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